

County Courts to levy, &c. Were severally read and assented to, and sent to the Upper House with the Paper Bills by Mr. Mackall and Mr. Dulany.

Richard Lee, Esq; from the Upper House, delivers to Mr. Speaker the Journal of Accounts, and the following Message:

By the Upper House of Assembly, June 10, 1748.

Gentlemen,

ON Perusal of the Journal of Accounts, we cannot find any Allowance made to the Governor nor for 1440 lb. of Tobacco, for the Seals to 12 Proclamations in 1742; nor for the late Governor's Account of Expences about the House designed for the Governor; nor is any Allowance made of 2040 lb. Tobacco, and 3 l. Currency, due also to the late Governor for the Seal to several Proclamations, and two Death Warrants, and Money paid for a Journey to *Cresap* on public Business. Neither is any Allowance made of a Ballance of 120 l. 7 s. 9 d. due to the Clerk of this House for transcribing the Journals; nor are several Accounts due to the Printer allowed. All these aforementioned Accounts were laid before your House in the last Session; but upon your Message of the 11th of July, 1747, this House relying on your Allowance of them in this Session, waved any further insisting on them at that Time; but now we cannot see any Reason to delay having these several Articles allowed.

Since the last Session, several Fees and Expences have incurred due in the Prosecution of four *Spanish* Prisoners, which we observe are not allowed; but we hope you will, on Reconsideration, insert those Fees and Expences in the Journal, and also rectify a Mistake in the Deduction of a Fourth instead of a Fifth out of the Chancellor's Fees, stated in the Journal to be due to November, 1747. When these several Allowances are made, the Journal will pass.

Signed per Order, J. Refs, Cl. Up. Ho.

A Bill entituled, *a supplementary Act to the Act entituled, An Act requiring the Masters of Ships and Vessels to publish the Rates of their Freight, before they take any Tobacco on board*, was read the first and second Time by an especial Order, and will pass, and was sent to the Upper House by Mr. Smith and Major Hall.

Dr. Carroll, from the Committee of Laws, delivers to Mr. Speaker the following Report; viz.

By the Committee of Laws, June 10, 1748.

YOUR Committee humbly observe, That by the Statute 2 W. and M. Sect. 1, Chap. 5, a Distress taken for Rent may in five Days be appraised and sold by the Sheriff, his Deputy, or Constable, if not within that Time releevied; and which Act hath been judged of in the Force within this Province.

By the Laws of our Mother Country, the Sheriff, *ex officio*, upon Plaint and Surety, may make Replevin, and order his Bailiffs and Deputies to redeliver the Goods or Cattle distrained, and County Court hear and determine the Legality of such Distresses.

The Sheriffs are obliged by Statute, for the Conveniency of the People within their County, to appoint Deputies to make Replevin. 1 P. and M. Chap. 12.

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